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47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005
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A JOINT MEMORIAL
REQUESTING A STUDY OF CONSOLIDATION OF THE CHILDREN'S COURT AND
THE FAMILY COURT FACILITIES IN ALBUQUERQUE.

WHEREAS, the children's court and the family court in
Albuquerque currently occupy separate facilities; and

WHEREAS, the functions of the two courts are closely
related; and

WHEREAS, the population served often overlaps; and

WHEREAS, the consolidation of staff, security and records
functions of the two courts could save public funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the administrative office of the
courts be requested to conduct a study on the merits of
consolidating the children's court and the family court in
Albuquerque into a single, jointly used space; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administrative office of
2 the courts deliver a report, including recommendations on sites
3 for consolidation, an estimate of expenses for undertaking such
4 consolidation and resources for the consolidation, to the
5 appropriate legislative interim committee by its October 2005
6 meeting; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
8 transmitted to the director of the administrative office of the
9 courts.